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SCIENCE TRIM MEDICINE BY CLOSE MARGIN

Meds. Go Down to Defeat in Final Stages.

SCORE WAS 7-6.

The Play-off May Possibly be Staged for Next Saturday Afternoon.

The final game of the Inter-faculty series was played on the Stadium yesterday afternoon. The championship depended on this game, and Science managed to even up by defeating Medicine, 7-6. A play-off is now necessary to decide who are to be the champions for this year.

The teams were evenly matched, and, as was expected, a good game was staged. At the start of the game neither team could gain their yards, but towards the end of the first quarter, Fox kicked for a point. Fox's kicking and running were the features of the game.

In the second quarter, Medicine came back strong, and forced their way down the field, principally by end runs. Tuohy then kicked for a point, which evened up matters. Medicine were playing a fine game at this stage, and were about to go over for a try when half-time was called. Science were certainly lucky to be saved by the whistle. Half time was called with the score standing one all.

At the beginning of the second half, both teams braced up and played splendid football. Science were showing a little bit of superiority, due to the fact that Medicine were doing a lot of fumbling. Gilhooley was easily the best man on the field, and he was tackling the Science men in splendid style. Fox succeeded in kicking for another point, which gave Science the lead. Three quarters time was called with the score reading 2-1 for Science.

At the start of the final period it was fairly dark, and the half-backs found it hard to handle the ball, and a lot of fumbling ensued, Medicine being the chief offenders. Science were by far the better team in this period, and Fox succeeded in securing a try, which was unconverted. The score now stood 7-1 for Science, with but a few minutes to play. Medicine here showed wonderful come-back power, and immediately proceeded to secure a try, which they did in a very few minutes. Had Tuohy converted this he would have evened up the score, but he failed to do so. The final score was 7-6 for Science.

Fox Parke and Sutherland were the stars for Science, while Gilhooley, Upham and Fleck played well for Medicine.

The football club is trying to arrange to have the play-off staged next Saturday afternoon, but nothing definite has been arranged. Captain Simpson is to be interviewed for the purpose of having the whole student body witness this game.

The following is the line-up:

Medicine.	Science.
Flying Wing.	
Gilhooley	Winters
Upham	Halves.
Morse	Fox
Tuohy	Kearns
Fawcett	Ferguson
McCullough	Parke
Cassidy	Scrimmage.
Taylor	Wibbel
Cully	Parsons
Corrigan	Camp
Pitts	Inside Wing.
McDonald	Anderson
Riddell	Livingstone
Chantal	Middle Wing.
	Sutherland
	Fraser
	Outside Wing.
	Dyer
	Lee

CLASS PINS FOR SCI. '20.

Science '20 held a meeting yesterday afternoon in the Engineering Building. C. L. Dewar presented numerous designs for a class pin, and after much discussion one was finally adopted. As the price of the pins is much less when ordered in large lots, it is hoped that every member of the class will arrange to buy one. Any who do not intend to do so will kindly let Dewar know as early as possible.

There are a number who have not yet paid their dues. This matter should be attended to immediately.

UNREASONABLE DELAY.

A former president of the National Civic Federation relates an incident of a certain man who had taken out an insurance policy on a building which he had recently purchased. Four hours later a fire broke out, which consumed the whole block. The company could find no legal ground on which to refuse payment, unless they were firmly convinced as to the questionable origin of the fire. Later, in sending the check, however, the following comment was included in the letter:

"We note your policy was issued at noon on Friday, and the fire did not occur until four o'clock of the same day. Why this delay?"

WHAT'S ON.

TO-DAY.

10.00 a.m.—Bible Study Class, R. V. C.
5.00 p.m.—Arts '19 Meeting.
6.30 p.m.—Cercle Francals.
Bible Supper at the Hall.

COMING.

Nov. 9.—Water polo, McGill vs. M. A. A. A.
Nov. 13.—Water polo, McGill vs. M. S. C.
Nov. 15.—Election of Vice-President of Union.

A. H. JOSEPH NOW WITH 13TH. CAN. SIEGE BATTERY

Former Arts '19 Man Writes of Experiences in Camp.

The following is a letter received from A. H. Joseph, of the 13th Canadian Siege Battery, now in England, and a former member of the class of Arts '19:

Mindelle Barracks Depot, Hants.

Oct. 14th, 1917.

Dear —, Just a few lines to let you know that I have changed my address again, and am once more back with the old crowd.

After leaving Bexhill I went to Witely, where by some good luck I was transferred to the 13th Battery. I wish Nicol, Arts '19, and the other fellows could have got back also, but I am afraid there is not much chance of them getting in now.

I was only at Witely two days when the 13th moved here. I consider myself pretty lucky now to have missed all Shorncliffe and Witely, and then rejoin the old bunch. The two former camps are certainly miserable places compared to Bexhill and here. Reveille goes at six, but we don't get up until nearly seven, as breakfast is at 7.15, and there is no roll call before that. The poor guys at Witely have to get up at 5.30, and shiver about in the cold.

At present I am taking the gun layers' class, but am learning just about the same stuff as I got at Bexhill. About forty fellows are taking signalling, and a few others being trained as battery commanders, assistants, and observers, while the remainder are taking the ordinary gunners' course. We will be here until the end of this month, anyway, and then will most likely go to some place to do a little firing.

I haven't had my leave yet, and won't be able to get it now until the course is over here. We are about eight miles from Aldershot, and I've been down a couple of times. I saw a pretty good show there called "The Maid of the Mountains."

There are lots of small places to go to around here, but about the only means of getting there is by cycling, and bicycles are pretty hard to get hold of, as there are so many soldiers after them. I managed to rent one for a week, four days ago, but haven't been able to use it yet as I've been "C.B.'s" ever since. A couple of young fools in the hut got in wrong with the corporal and threw his kit about, with the result that the whole lot was "C.B.'s" until this evening, as they didn't know who did it.

We are the only Canadians around here. There are a couple of Imperial batteries, and the rest of the troops are London infantry battalions. We are going to play some Canadian football between the different sub-sections, and were to have started yesterday, but the weather prevented it. I guess we won't get any hockey.

It gets pretty cold here now, and we have been issued with coal for the hut, so keep a grate fire going all the time. It's that penetrating damp cold that goes right through you, and it takes about a half dozen blankets at night to keep warm.

I don't know where you are at present, but if at college, remember me to all the fellows.

Yours sincerely,

DIKE.

No. 234143
13th Can. Siege Battery,
c/o Army Post Office.

London.

J. J. SHERMAN, '14, KILLED.

Word has been received that Lieut. Jack Sherman, Science '14, who went overseas with the 20th Battalion, has been killed in action. Last August, after a year in the trenches, Sherman visited his parents at Hawkesbury, on sick leave.

On returning to England, he was transferred to the 15th Battery, 26th Brigade, I.F.A., and left almost immediately, for the firing line. He had been there only a few days before he was called on to make the supreme sacrifice.

CLASS PICTURES.

Arts '21 will have its picture taken on Wednesday, November 7th, at 12 noon, on the steps of the Arts Building. Everybody concerned turn out on this momentous occasion.

AMERICAN CLUB NOTICE.

The American Club will hold a smoker in the Union to-night, at 8 o'clock.

LITERARY AND DEBATING SOC. HOLD MEETING

New Officers Elected to Vacant Offices.

S. A. HOLLING PRESIDENT.

Programme for Year's Work Drawn Up—First Meeting in Two Weeks.

There have been larger business meetings of the Literary Society and Canadian Club, with more auspicious prospects inviting its devotees to sustain its position, but it can be safely said that no meeting has ever held a more hopeful outlook for the activities of the society than for this year. One departure from the society's tradition was the holding of the meeting in the alien stronghold of Science men, the Engineering Building. Strange to relate, the Arts men felt quite at home in the atmosphere of dubious industry, which speaks well for inter-faculty good feeling. It is only left now to enlist the support of the very potent ability in Medicine.

D. G. Proudfoot, in the absence of the appointed president, V. S. Green, took the chair and called the meeting to order. After indicating in general the business of the meeting, the election of officers to offices up to this time vacant was carried out with the following results:

President: S. A. Holling, Arts '17; Treasurer: B. Benjamin, Arts '17; Representative from Arts Faculty, H. Shaer, B.A.

The remainder of the officers for this year who were appointed at the close of last session, are as follows: Hon. President: Sir William Peterson.

Hon. I. D. U. L. Rep.: Dr. Caldwell.

Vice-president: D. G. Proudfoot, Sci.

Secretary: Clifford Heaney, Sci. '19.

Assist. Secretary: E. W. Weibel, Sci.

I. D. U. L. Rep.: R. J. Clark, B.A.

Committee: P. Heinbecker, Arts '18; B. D. Usher, Med. '21; H. Shaer, B.A.

Advisory Board: Dean Moyses, Dean Lee, Prof. N. N. Evans.

The chairman then called for discussion on the ways and means of conducting the Society's work for this year. There was no dearth of suggestions. A few staunch supporters of co-educational institutions urged with replete arguments and highly erudite discourses that co-operation with the R. V. C. was desirable.

These utterances were not greeted with the usual enthusiasm of the gregarious male. It seems that Delilah has to redeem her name. But what was the real function of the Lit.? This became more evident as various speakers made clear their points of view. It was the improvement of the average man's ability in expressing himself clearly when on his feet. Subjects demanding far reaching investigations and overdone formality were the two greatest stumbling blocks in the way of carrying out this idea. One group of suggestions made it clear that a coterie of radical speakers should be lined up so that the points of contention in any discussion would stand out on bold relief, and in this way it was thought would provoke much general discussion. In other words, if the Lit. was to grip the interest of the students it must make them feel at home even at the expense of a too-long fostered dignity, and a straight department.

A freshman ventured his belief that a good debate could be got up between freshmen of different faculties.

Another idea was to introduce musical numbers and literary readings in to the Lit.'s programme.

Still another idea was to spring a topic upon a group of debaters and give them fifteen minutes to spend with a bibliography on that topic before debating.

The chairman explained that the McGill Canadian Club was an organization in connection with the Literary and Debating Society that had as its object the securing of prominent men to address the student body on topics of general interest. This phase of the Society's work he assured the meeting was not to be neglected this year.

The first debate is to be arranged as soon as possible, and will take place in about two weeks' time.

ESTHETIC.

Two fair munition workers were discussing their personal affairs.

"They tell me your beau is a regular swell, Liz."

Reply: "Rather! Why, he took me to a restaurant last week, and when we had coffee he poured it into a saucer to cool it, but he didn't blow it like common people would—he fanned it with his hat."

President Wilson has selected the American commissioners to the Allied Conference in Paris, November 15.

Their names will be announced soon.

Foremost among the questions to be considered at the conference will be the military and economic conditions in Russia and Italy.

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VALUE OF READING.

There is a popular belief among college students that the reading which they are required to do in connection with their courses of study is sufficient for the time being, and that it is unnecessary to keep informed on the events in the world outside or to read additional matter from the classics or current literature.

This is a common error and one that should be corrected. It exists largely because students are prone to seek amusement out of class hours as far from the pages of books as it is possible to get. As a consequence the bases for discussion among American students are generally of a pitifully frivolous nature. It is hard for the American student to understand his serious minded brothers across the water. The European student as a rule, is not satisfied unless he can converse intelligently upon the most important topics of the day. The average American student, on the other hand, is not usually prepared to discuss matters that are foreign to the course which he is pursuing in college. American students are often brought to a realization of their limitations by talking with students from the other side.

The advantages of reading are numerous. Among the many results of reading are enlarged vocabularies, improved literary style, knowledge of current and past historical events, scientific advancement, and a general broadening of vision.

Discrimination in reading is the result of experience in the art. The beginner in reading will undoubtedly make many blunders in the selection of his books or periodicals, but there will soon come a time when he knows what is worth while and what is worthless.

There is little in the ordinary college course that is designed to furnish information on current events in the world of politics, science, art and literature. One criticism of the educational systems of the entire world is that the instructors are, unfortunately, more or less like links which join the present generation to the past one. At best the instructor can only be a compromise between the teachings of his generation and those of to-day. This is a natural condition, and has existed as long as the art of teaching. It is patent that one cannot be a student and a teacher at the same time. And even granting that it were possible, the youth and inexperience of the teacher would lead him into many errors that age and experience would escape.

Instructors in technical lines are constantly urging their students to keep in touch with practice by reading the current publications of the technical press, for the reason that it is impossible to modify text-books with sufficient rapidity to keep pace with the discoveries and inventions of the professional world. We suppose that the same advice is given by the Medical and Law instructors.

But there still remains a great opportunity for pleasant and profitable reading outside the professional journals and periodicals. The library is a store house of the works of masters in style and theme where idle moments may be passed advantageously in their perusal.

In conclusion we would leave one thought. The greatest minds of all history have been developed by thoughtful reading. Read, by all means, read! and if possible, read something that makes you think.—Mississippi.

THE HIDDEN TREASURE OF BOOKS.

The advice Ruskin gives us is this: "Be sure that you go to the author to get at his meaning, not to find yours. Judge it afterwards if you think yourself qualified to do so; but ascertain it first."

How much we miss often, by coming to a decision on a certain subject first, in our great conceit, and then skimming through the work of some great author dealing with the same subject, to find verifications of our own opinions, whereby to judge, in our mean way, the greatness or littleness of the author in question. The loss to us in this way is:

- (1) In the point of view of the writer, which we miss;
- (2) In the narrowing of our minds and
- (3) In our building up knowledge on weak grounds.

Concerning the first point no explanation need be given. And the second: What accompanies the narrowing of our minds, the building up of conceit without reason, is quite evident. We lose thereby the ability to look the world calmly in the face, meditating quietly and without trace of prejudice upon what we have seen, but urged on always by "curiosity,"—the curiosity of a mind alert to learn what another has to offer, and patiently and lovingly pursuing the course of another's thoughts and meditations, be they ever so roundabout.

In regard to point three, we cannot all be Descartes, accepting nothing except what we can prove, but we can at least weigh in the balance the arguments in each work with which we are dealing, and feel that our final decision is backed up, step by step, by opin-

FOND HOPES.

We are a budding genius. (Please notice "we.") It is not correct to say "I" too often. Well, as one said, "We are a budding genius"—but all is not well. Inspiration does not come to us, and it makes one worry, which is bad for my health. One is quite sure that Byron and Burns—or even Shakespeare—did not sit for hours, like me, pondering and cogitating and chewing a pen plucked from a neighbour's goose. If they did we hope the feathers did not disagree with them. One does not like them, they are indigestible and tickle our oesophagus, which is not pleasant.

P.S.—Oesophagus is a lovely word; I found it in a dictionary, and it means throat. It recalls sweet memories of our Latin days.

To return to the goose—the pen is an eccentricity of ours, which all geniuses must have, therefore one has chosen this for mine. But hush! suddenly one begins to write, and we inscribe upon the spotless page:

PROLOGUE—(by me.)

Last night, when I was ill at ease, Within one's room did we remain, And

Bother! I forget the rest, but it wasn't very important, anyway. We'll tell it to you as soon as one remembers it. All my best work is done in my youth. Some day we may be a blooming genius.

TO WRITE A POEM.

Now, now, don't get excited. I didn't mean to offend anybody. There once was a time when amateur poets were as plentiful as the leaves on the tennis court, or nearly so. Later, however, amateur poets have fallen off alarmingly in numbers. Perhaps this decrease can be accounted for in the adoption of capital punishment. Maybe the H. C. of L. has something to do with it. More probably, it is falling off in numbers is traceable to shyness. I was going to add "inability," but have changed my mind. So long as there's paper and ink to write a poem with, and sufficient nerve to hand it in for publication, amateur poets will never die out entirely. So it is with a view to aiding and abetting would-be poets, that I am publishing a Course of Instruction in Writing a Poem—complete in one instalment.

The best time to write a poem is while you're doing your Latin. Thus, whilst "your mind is in the coffin here with Caesar" and, as a result, you're not thinking of anything in particular, jot down the first word that occurs to you.

Canaxa, B.C. 401.

It is preferable that your title should consist of one word, and, if possible, a Greek one at that. Also, a few figures after the title wouldn't add insult to injury, and would give the poem a mysterious air. That's just what you want.

N.B.—E.C. 401 is not an automobile number. It is, in fact, Caesar's private cable address, but that's not important.

Having got your title, the logical thing to do is to find out what it means. And now we're ready to begin. Write down your first line:

On a morning fraught with terror and gloom.

It doesn't have to mean anything in particular, as long as it sounds good. The next thing is to get a word to rhyme with "gloom."

Boom—tomb—cum—what about "doom"? Excellent—now place your discovery underneath its rhyme, and you'll find it a very simple matter to write the rest of the line.

On a morning fraught with terror and gloom,

Cyrus rode forth to meet his doom.

Next: Don't say anything about what happened to Cyrus; just place a few dots in a line after "doom," and continue.

On a morning fraught with terror and gloom,

Cyrus rode forth to meet his doom.

He lost his nerve and turned to flee.

See how our poem is growing! Having got three lines already, we're looking for a rhyme for "flee." The fourth (and in this case the last) line should be the most striking of 'em all. . . . Hal! I've got it. Here's the finished article:

Canaxa, B.C. 401.

On a morning fraught with terror and gloom,

Cyrus rode forth to meet his doom.

He lost his nerve and turned to flee.

Cyrus Nothus—R. I. P.

Hurray! Got the first stanza, which is always the hardest. We could continue indefinitely. But we won't.

I hope I've given would-be poets a few hints on writing poetry. The first chance you get, try it. Tonight, say; get out your materials, your Latin dictionary, place a wet towel round your head, and go to it. You'll be surprised how easy it really isn't. And, in case you see you're losing sleep over a rhyme, do as follows: (We'll assume the first word to be "Neolithic"):

Place it at the right hand side. Then start off reading your alphabet as quickly as you can.

Neolithic
Beolithic
Ceoolithic, etc.

Here we have it—Faeolithic. And when you've completed your poem, don't be shy. Get up and hand it in. If it does get into the basket, just consider that you're immune to punishment. So, with the above encouragement, and course of instruction, anyone who can't turn out a first class poem is . . . not a poet.

FOUND.

A fountain pen in Room 7 of Arts Building. Owner can have same by applying to S. Mirshy, Arts '21.

ions and ideas of great men who have preceded us, whom it would be very foolish to neglect, although our ultimate opinions may in the end be completely different from theirs.

BATTALION ORDERS, NO. 7.

Lieut.-Col. Robert Starke, O. C. McGill University Cont., C. O. T. C.

Montreal, Nov. 5, 1917.

1.—Parades.

The Battalion will parade as follows during the week ending November 10, 1917:

Tuesday, Nov. 6th: Students, 4.30 p.m. Non-students, 8.00 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 8th: Battalion, 8.00 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 10th: Battalion, 3.00 p.m.

2.—Appointments and Promotions.

The following appointments and promotions are hereby approved and confirmed:

Headquarters.

To be Orderly Room Corporals: Corp. B. W. Holtham, Pte. C. E. Taylor.

To be Assistant Bandmaster, with rank of Sergeant: Bandsman L. Amdur.

"A" Company.

To be Platoon Sergeants:

No. 1 Platoon—Sgt. B. Pelletier.

No. 2 Platoon—Pte. F. L. Cann.

No. 3 Platoon—Sgt. L. J. Jordan.

No. 4 Platoon—Corp. S. A. Holling.

To be Sergeants and Section Commanders:

No. 1 Section—Sgt. V. Primrose.

No. 5 Section—Corp. T. C. Cassidy.

No. 9 Section—Corp. H. K. Booker.

No. 13—Pte. Donald R. Morrison.

To be Corporals and Section Commanders:

No. 4 Section—Corp. R. M. Power.

No. 8 Section—Pte. H. R. Cromwell.

No. 16 Section—Corp. G. E. Tremble.

To be Corporals:

Corp. H. A. Aylen.

Corp. T. J. C. Heney.

Corp. J. C. O'Brien.

To be Lance Corporals:

Pte. N. B. Freedman.

Pte. H. Lipsey.

Pte. J. A. McDougall.

3.—Dress.

Great coats are to be worn at all parades from date.

4.—Detail.

To be Orderly Officer for week ending Nov. 5, 1917: Lieut. W. R. Brown.

Next for duty: Lieut. W. H. Stevens.

To be Battalion Orderly Sergeant for week ending Nov. 5th, 1917: Sgt. E. A. Stewart.

Next for duty: Sgt. R. W. Bonnar.

J. C. SIMPSON, Captain.

Adjutant, McGill Cont., C. O. T. C.

SOLDIERS RECEIVE GIFT.

Reports received by the War Service Committee of the American Library Association on the results of the campaign for funds show good prospect of reaching the goal set. Among the subscriptions is a grant by the Carnegie Corporation for a distinct library building at each of the 16 cantonments, and also for buildings at each of the national guard camps as have a prospect of permanence. Contracts for the buildings at the cantonments were executed some time ago.

A FULL COURSE.

A keen-eyed mountaineer led his overgrown son into a country schoolhouse. "This here boy's a real larnin," he announced. "What's yer bill o' fare?"

"Our curriculum, sir," corrected the schoolmaster, "embraces geography, arithmetic, trigonometry."

"That'll do. Load him up well with trigonometry. He's the only poor shot in the family!"

NOTICE.

Will the person who took O. greatcoat No. 498 by mistake at the C. O. T. C. parade a week ago Saturday, kindly return it to the Quartermaster Stores.

CUTS.

From Feminine Point of View.

Not once upon a time, but many times, there were Freshettes and Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors, who went to Converses and dances, and met many and strange young men. After the aforesaid entertainments, they often passed these same young men on the streets or campus. The approach of these gentlemen aroused untold confusion in the minds of the maidens, and their thoughts ran in this manner:

"Here comes a man. Have I met him? He looks familiar. I think I've danced with him, but I'm not sure. Wish he'd wear his name pinned on his coat. Shall I bow or shan't? He doesn't look as if he's going to bow. I wish to goodness I'd crossed the street at the last corner." By this time there are about two yards between them. Suddenly his face lights up with a beaming smile, and his hat is removed just as they pass. She sends a fleeting smile over her shoulder, and groans inwardly, "I bet he thinks I've cut him."

Just as she is recovering another masculine form appears. This time she is sure of her ground. "That one was at the Conversat, but we weren't introduced. I shall not bow." She fixes her gaze on some distant object, and walks past dimly conscious that this young man is under the impression that he has met her and was fully prepared to bow.

Now a third approaches. "Safe this time," she breathes. "I know I've met this one. We sat on the stairs at the Conversat, and talked about germs and the water supply." She advances confidently and a friendly smile begins to overspread her features. Suddenly she becomes aware that the gentleman in question is interested in the other side of the street. The smile is frozen on her lips, and she hastily begins to admire the pattern of the stone pavement.

Her mind is in a whirl, and she no longer cares what happens. She stumbles on what a dazed expression, blindly bowing or walking by with averted gaze, vowing inwardly that she'll wear a thick veil in future so that no one will recognize her.

The Harvard Athletic Association has definitely announced that there will be no varsity baseball team representing Harvard next spring unless the war is over before then. Freshman baseball will be continued as usual.

FOOTBALL AT STATE COLLEGE.

STATE COLLEGE, Pa.—The new Pennsylvania State College attack for the Dartmouth contest showed considerable power in scrimmage. The varsity backs went through the freshman line for substantial gains, and turned the ends with agreeable regularity.

With one more day of rehearsal, before the team leaves for Hanover, the blue and white offense should be strong enough to break the Dartmouth defence. Captain Conover worked with his team for the first time since the West Virginia Wesleyan game.

SUMMED UP.

"Describe the manners and customs of the people of India," wrote the geography teacher on the blackboard. A small boy in the front row chewed the end of his lead pencil into pulp, and then disposed of the subject by writing, laboriously:

"They don't wear no manners, and they don't wear no customs."

"And," added the next small boy, "All the people live in casks."

SELF-RELIANCE.

To believe your own thought, to believe that what is true for you in your private heart, is true for all men—that is Genius. Speak your latest conviction, and it shall be the universal sense. Familiar as the voice of the mind is to Moses, Plato, and Milton, is that they set at naught books and traditions, and spoke not what men did, but what they thought. A man should learn to detect and watch that gleam of light which flashes across his mind from within, more than the lustre of the firmament of stars and ages. Yet he dismisses without notice his thought, because it is his. In every work of genius we recognize our own rejected thoughts; they come back to us with a certain alienated majesty. Great works of art have no more affecting lesson for us than this. They teach us to abide by our spontaneous impression with good-humored inflexibility than most when the whole cry of voices is on the other side. Else, to-morrow, a stranger will say with masterly good sense precisely what we thought and felt all the time, and we shall be forced to take with shame our opinion from another.—R. W. Emerson.

"Excuse me, sir," said Bilson, a little timidly, "but you appear to be following me. Is there anything you want?"

"Well, I'm just trying to find where you live, and introduce myself, like, I'm McPherson, the undertaker," said the burly stranger.

"Oh—quite so! I'm pleased to meet you, I'm sure," said the undertaker, smiling sweetly. "But I just heard you cough, an' I hae hopes!"

Election time was drawing near, and an enthusiastic politician was addressing his constituents in a frenzied speech. Not a few of his assertions, reduced to cold thought, were diametrically opposed to one another, but each proposal was received with applause. A Judge turned to his companion and said: "This reminds me of an Irish leader who was cheering his men on to battle. 'Min,' said he, 'we are on the verge of battle, an' I want to ask ye before ye start, will ye fight or will ye run?'"

"We will," came a chorus of eager replies.

"Which will ye do?" says he.

"We will not," says they.

"Aha, thank ye, min," says he. "I thought ye would." Philadelphia Ledger



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THERE are few national institutions of more value and interest to the country than the Royal Military College of Canada. Notwithstanding this, its object and the work it is accomplishing are not sufficiently understood by the general public.

The College is a Government Institution, designed primarily for the purpose of giving instruction in all branches of military science to Cadets and Officers of the Canadian Militia. In fact, it corresponds to Woolwich and Sandhurst.

The Commandant and military instructors are all officers of the active list of the Imperial army, of the purpose, and there is in addition a complete staff of professors for the civil subjects which form such an important part of the College course. Medical attendance is also provided.

Whilst the College is organized on a strictly military basis the cadets receive a practical and scientific training in subjects essential to a sound modern education.

The course includes a thorough grounding in Mathematics, Civil Engineering, Surveying, Physics, Chemistry, French and English.

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Commissions in all branches of the Imperial service and Canadian Permanent Force are offered annually.

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The length of the course is three years in three terms of 12 months each.

The total cost of the course, including board, uniform, instruction, material, and all extras is about \$800.

The annual competitive examination for admission to the College, takes place in May of each year, at the headquarters of the several military districts.

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What a state of things! From a fair reader we hear the indignant protest that a most interesting Conversat. partner has been unable to recognize his more festively garbed companion of the evening before. And the youth, on his side, laments a perturbed state of mind after "getting the cut." Said the lady, "O, if he would but pin his 'label' on his coat!" Quoth the other: "Why in thunder didn't she wear that green thing she had around her neck last night. How could I be expected to know her?" And so it goes on. And what does it all amount to, in the end? To a confession that Mether Providence, in doling out to each man and woman his and her due share of the brains in her basket, especially stunted McGill students?

To me, three roads out of this great difficulty of "Recognition or Non-Recognition" are visible.

I.—That all Conversats., dances, etc., etc., without exception, be eliminated from the College Course. In response to violent objections, we pass on to

Solution II.—That the Community System be adopted, i.e. that all members of the University shall pursue the following form of greeting to all students whomsoever they may chance to meet:

"Fine Morning, Sister."
Answer: "It is indeed, glorious weather, Brother."

("All Brethren, and Sisters," as Uncle Remus said.)

But then, we must note, What complications would ensue! Why, everybody would then turn up at lectures On Time! (Consider the nerves of our honored professors should such an event occur Every hour of Every day.) For coming too early, truly a great fault with many of us, or too late, perchance, what opportunities of passing shy coquettish greetings to unknown lady students, would be lost to the poor pretty youth who wrote:

"O, I met
Such a Queen!
And I looked
At the Pavement
And walked past.
But she Looked and Smiled
And Bowed!
How I Squirmed!
How I Blushed!
Darn it!"

No, it is evident that we must pass on to—

Solution III., which is
"The Universal Cut Direct."
Does anyone remonstrate against this?

Let everyone consider carefully the great relief that this practice would afford youths of the afore-described type. We hear no remonstrances— and therefore move that this practice be adopted.

A YEAR AGO TO-DAY.

Lieut. W. H. Gordon, prominent Arts grad. of 1909, killed in action.

The first of a series of Moot Courts by the Law Undergraduate Society held in the Arts Building.

Recognition of the splendid work done at the front by the Dental Corps.

Dinner given at Stratheona Hall at which Mr. J. W. Ross pictures to McGill students the splendid work which is being done at the McGill Field Branch in Boulogne.

The 6th University Co. defeats McGill in tennis meet.

WOMEN STUDY LAW.

In recognition of the extraordinary opportunities and vast responsibilities that are now pressing upon women, the Brooklyn Law School has decided to establish, at nominal cost, a course of lectures in elementary law for women.

The course is to be a practical one. The aim will be to serve women whose civic, professional, property or business interests require an understanding of certain phases of the law, special consideration, being given to the needs of women whose husbands, brothers or sons are responding to the call of war. The course is also planned to meet the growing demand among women for familiarity with the fundamentals of law from the standpoint of general culture.

"War has revolutionized woman's world as well as the world of man," say the Law School officials. "The woman left behind faces serious business and legal problems. Heavy and wholly new responsibilities have been laid upon her shoulders. We want to help her. A number of free scholarships are being especially offered for such women."

AN ENGLISH MASSACRE.

Notice on door of residence: "Please knock the bell out of order."
Manitoba Free Press, quoting Ralph Connor: "I have never set foot outside my native shoes."

A Western bank announces: "We make the interest of our depositors our interest."

Card of cleaning company: "Don't take the life out of your rugs by beating them. Let us do it in a more sanitary way."

It has been estimated by the United States War Department that there are at least 38,000,000 men bearing arms in this war. Or these, 27,500,000 are fighting on the side of the Allies, while 10,500,000 are under the standard of the Central Powers. These figures do not include naval personnel, which would raise the total by several millions.

MEETING OF SOPHOMORE OFFICERS.

There will be a short meeting of the Presidents and Treasurers of the Sophomore Years, in the Union, immediately after drill to-night.

R. V. C. NOTES.

The first meeting of the Bible Study Class will be held to-day, at 10 a.m., in Room 106 of the R.V.C. Mr. MacLeod, Secretary of the McGill Y. M. C. A., will take the class.

At yesterday's meetings the Juniors unanimously elected Margaret Pickel as a substitute for Mary Taylor, in the coming debate. Leslie Cruikshank was elected third year representative to the Red Cross.

Those who would like McGill Christmas Calendars can obtain them from the R. V. C. Porter at 20c. each. A sample is on exhibition in the Porter's Office.

KEEP A-TRYING.

Say "I will!" and then stick to it. That's the only way to do it. Don't build up a while and then Tear the whole thing down again. Fix the goal you wish to gain. Then go at it heart and brain. And, though clouds shut out the blue, Do not dim your purpose true, With your shining. Stand erect, and like a man, Know "They can who think they can." Keep a-trying!

Had Columbus, half seas o'er, Turned back to his native shore. Men would not, to-day, proclaim Round the world his deathless name. So must we sail on with him Past horizons far and dim, Till at last we own the prize. That belongs to him who tries With faith undying:

Own the prize that all may win, Who with hope, through thick and thin, Keep a-trying.

—Selected.

WHY NOT?

If a female duke is a duchess, Would a female spook be a spuchess? And if a male goose is a gander, Then would a male moose be a mander?

If water you freeze is frozen, Is the maiden you squeeze, then, squozen?

If a thing you break is broken, Would a thing you take be token?

If the plural of child is children, Would the plural of wild be wildren?

If a number of cows are cattle, Would a number of bows be battle?

If a man who makes plays is a playwright, Would a man who makes hay be a haywright?

If a person who fails is a failure, Would a person who quails be a quallure?

If the apple you bite is bitten, Would the battle you fight be bitten?

And if a young cat is a kitten, Then would a young rat be a ritten?

If a person who spends is a spend-thrift, Would a person who lends be a lend-thrift?

And if drinking too much makes a drunkard, Would thinking too much make a thunkard?

But why pile on the confusion, Still, I'd like to ask in conclusion, If a chap from New York's a New Yorker, Would a fellow from Cork be a Corker?

AT THE THEATRES.

ST. DENIS.

Mae Marsh, the delightful actress who played a stellar role in "The Birth of a Nation," is seen to the best advantage in "Sunshine Alley," at the St. Denis. This play was specially written by Mary Rider for Mae Marsh, and the story is one of peculiar charm.

Nell Harbost, the grand-daughter of the aged keeper of a bird and animal shop, takes the greatest delight in the singing of a favourite bullfinch, which makes the sunshine even brighter to her. Her brother, however, is unable to appreciate the atmosphere of kindness in his home, and it is due to his efforts to obtain money dishonestly that the old man is knocked down by the automobile of the millionaire Morris.

While assisting the victim, Ned Morris, the millionaire's son, is taken with Nell, whose spirit he admires.

In order to provide a specialist for her injured grandfather, Nell sells her beloved song-bird to Morris, and when it refuses to sing, she goes to his home dressed in her grandmother's wedding dress. Meanwhile her worthless brother, under the guidance of a bad character, enters Morris' home and takes a quantity of jewels. Nell is compelled to hide him, but after following him, compels him to give her the stolen property. When suspicion falls on her, the police come to the store and find her with the jewels, about to 'phone to Morris.

With the arrival of Ned Morris, however, adjustments come, and all finally turns out happily, even the worthless brother showing some manhood in confessing his crime.

In addition to this, there is shown "Dakota Dan," in which a saloon-keeper in a western town is reformed through the influence of the minister's daughter. The music of the St. Denis Symphony Orchestra, and the singing of Lucille Alinger, add materially to the success of the programme.

THE GAYETY.

This week the Gayety is presenting the Bostonian Burlesquers, with Frank Pinney, the leading comedian, and who well deserves the nickname of Frank Funny. Frank is ably assisted by Phil Ott, taking the role of Prof. Pickledell, of Pickledell University, whose wayward son furnishes exciting amusement for the audience. The chorus, led by Miss Kathryn Dickey, whose vocal ability is rare in burlesque, furnishes a fine quality in burlesque and dancing. The show, although not equalling that of last week is nevertheless a close rival, and is well worth seeing.

WAR CHARITIES TO BENEFIT.

A football game between the Universities of Chicago and Michigan, on December 1, became a probability when letters were placed in the mail by the Chicago board of athletic control, asking other members of the "Big Ten" whether a game of this character for war charity would meet their approval.

On account of the old-time rivalry of the Chicago and Michigan teams, which have not met since 1906, Michigan alumni started the movement for a game in the hope of realizing a large sum of money for some war charity. It was pointed out that the receipts of the game in 1905, which Chicago won by a score of 2 to 0, reached nearly \$40,000.



A PLINY OF THE PRESENT DAY.

You will laugh and you can laugh your head off. For I, whom you've always known as a regular sport, have made three catches, and sensational ones at that. "You're all right," you say. Well, I should say I did it. But the joke of it is that I did it without leaving my beloved studies. In fact, I owe these feats to them. For when I went to the baseball game I took along my Trig, and a note-book. As I played left field I did not have with me a glove or spiked shoes, but my faithful Trig. When the opposing side hit the first ball, I happened to be studying the Angle of Elevation, as applied to problems per Hall Knight. Looking up from my book, I saw the ball coming towards me. Applying the principle I was studying, I judged the Angle of Elevation to the ball to be 60 deg., and the distance between home plate and the ball to be about 150 feet. This at once suggested the 3-4-5 equilateral triangle. So by a slight calculation I found what cos. 60 deg. was, and then it was comparatively easy matter to find the distance between the home plate and the place where the ball would fall. I reached that spot in no time, and put my hand out and caught the ball. Can you beat that for usefulness of studies. Having the catching of balls down pat to a scientific basis, I caught the other two hits the same way, and was acclaimed the hero of the day.

I owe my success to my studies, as I said before. You must not despise this method of playing, for it is wonderful how studying arouses your playing intellect. So whenever you go to play baseball, discard your baseball togs, and take instead a book—and a basket. You will need the latter to hold the ball. So long.

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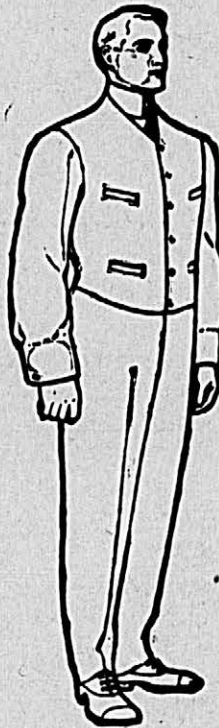
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